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## **ABSTRACT**

A method and apparatus for management of an automated license installation is presented. An automated license daemon runs on a server waiting for transmissions/ connections from a client-based Setup program. The Setup program utilizes a tunneling agent to make a socket connection with the automated license daemon. Upon such transmission/ connection, the automated license daemon begins a thread for each license request, each thread creating a number of SQL queries with information that is received from the Setup program. These SQL queries are sent to an automated license management database for validation. After validation, a license file is returned from the automated license database to the automated license daemon and then back to the Setup program client.